

Arboretum Loop Trail CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

Seattle Parks and Recreation and partners, University of Washington Botanic Gardens and the Arboretum Foundation, are happy to announce the beginning of construction of the Arboretum Loop Trail.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016
9 –11 AM

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1075 LAKE WASHINGTON BLVD E, SEATTLE WA 98112

Seattle Parks and Recreation project manager, Garrett Farrell, will answer questions and discuss construction plans and impacts. He will focus comments on the first phase of construction that includes improvements on the south end of the loop being made on and near 31st Ave. E.

The 1.2-mile trail will connect to Arboretum Drive and create a 2.5-mile loop path through the Washington Park Arboretum, providing improved access to the flagship public garden. Seattle Parks and Recreation awarded the construction contract to Ohno Construction for the Washington Park Arboretum Loop Trail. Construction is scheduled to be completed in December 2017.

As part of mitigation for the current phase of the SR 520 bridge project, the Washington State Department of Transportation is providing \$7.8 million to help complete portions of the Arboretum's 20-year Master Plan (adopted in 2001 after years of public input). The paved, multi-use Arboretum Loop Trail is the jewel of this plan and fulfills the Master Plan's three primary goals: conservation, recreation and education. It will also improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists visiting the Arboretum. Additionally, the project restores portions of Arboretum Creek and nearby wetlands.

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